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SCRANTON, MAY 7, 1902.

For governor of Pennsylvania, on the issue of an open field and fair play, JOHN P. ELKIN, of Indiana, subject to the will of the Republican masses.

The Rift in the Clouds.

THE REPORT from New York that the eleventh hour action favorable to the miners has been taken by a conference of the operating interests and that there will be no strike is without details; but certainly every well-wisher of the miners and every one interested in the welfare of the public will hope that it is true.

The twenty-eight committeemen who today are to say by their votes whether there is to be a finish fight in the coal fields lasting until one side or the other is thoroughly beaten or a continuation of prosperous peace should, as sensible men wanting to accomplish the best results for the interests which they represent, consider the situation without prejudice and solely with the purpose of deciding as to which course is best for all concerned.

It looks as though Pierpont Morgan and Mark Hanna might have to put it to a voting contest to decide which is the better miners' friend.

The Plan for the Place.

THE ELECTION of George W. Phillips to the superintendency of our schools is a piece of news that will give unbounded satisfaction to thousands of pupils and parents. It will also rectify the uncalculated for wrong which Mr. Phillips was virtually crowded out of the principalship of the High school a few years ago.

Of Mr. Phillips' fitness for the superintendency it is unnecessary to speak. It has been proved in years of successful teaching and directing and it is confirmed in the hundreds of young men who are enthusiastic walking testimonials. His return to the vocation which is his pride and highest pleasure will be welcomed by none more than by the teachers, who, under his superintendency, will be assured of sympathetic and intelligent support.

By and by the stock of excuses for the Luzerne defeats of the opponents of Elkin will run low.

Mr. Powderly's Successor.

THE PRESIDENT'S removal of T. V. Powderly from the commissioner generalship of immigration was, in our judgment, a mistake. But now that it has been made, and made, as we believe, without intended reflection upon Mr. Powderly but in execution of a general changing about, it is satisfactory to observe that the succession has been wisely placed.

Frank P. Sargent is a man who will do his whole duty in that office and do it well. His record is first-class. A native of Vermont, at seventeen he enlisted at Washington in the regular army, was sent immediately to Arizona for three years participated in stirring Indian campaigns. At the expiration of his term of service he returned to civil life and worked for a time at Phoenix, Ariz., as an engine wiper. Later he became a fireman, and was elected a delegate to the grand lodge meeting of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, at the time Frank W. Arnold, the present grand secretary and treasurer, was grand master. Sargent was honored by being chosen vice-grand master. At the next grand lodge meeting, held in Philadelphia, in 1885, there was a misunderstanding between Grand Master Arnold and Grand Organizer Samuel Stevens, which led to Stevens fighting the re-election of Arnold. E. V. Debs, who was then grand secretary and treasurer, joined forces with Stevens to defeat Arnold, and Sargent was picked as the opposing candidate. He defeated Arnold and

Immediately afterward assumed the duties of grand master, with headquarters in Terre Haute, Ind. In 1893 the offices of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen were moved to Peoria, Ill., and Mr. Sargent gave up his residence in Terre Haute. President McKinley offered him a position as civil service commissioner in 1899, and he accepted, but when the grand lodge meeting was held at Toronto the delegates absolutely refused to accept his resignation. His salary was raised from \$3,500 to \$5,000 a year, and a six months' vacation with all expenses for a European trip was offered him. Mr. Sargent then declined the place on the civil service commission, but he refused to avail himself of the opportunity for a much needed rest. Mr. Sargent was re-elected grand master for a term of two years at the grand lodge meeting held in Des Moines last September.

As a leader of organized labor Mr. Sargent has resembled John Mitchell in being careful, reticent and trustworthy. He has always been conservative and although tenacious when convinced that he is right, his policy has been to gain the confidence of employing interests by scrupulous fidelity to pledges given and contracts executed. In this he has succeeded. With Chief Arthur of the Brotherhood of Engineers he shares the distinction of being the most successful brotherhood leader that this country has produced. He will execute the immigration laws fearlessly so far as he is supported by those above him; and if there is a lack of just support he will know why.

The unanimous re-election of County Superintendent Taylor is a deserved tribute to a most faithful and competent official and a guarantee of continued improvement in our admirable rural schools.

William T. Sampson.

IN DEATH William T. Sampson appeals strongly to the sympathy which was denied him in life. He entered the late war with a flawless record of high efficiency in every department of the naval service; he bore while in it the heaviest burden of responsibility ever assumed by an American naval commander; his management was successful, the fleet under his command was victorious in the decisive battle of the war and his judgment of subordinates has been vindicated upon review by a court of fellow officers, the secretary of the navy and the president of the United States; yet the last years of his life were spent in pitiable physical and mental decline, the direct consequence of his absolute fidelity to duty and of the unjust, cruel and fanatical misrepresentation and abuse of citizens who owed him high honor.

Since the crucifixion on Calvary history has shown no stranger and sadder spectacle of the misguided pursuit of an admirable character for heaving fearlessly to the line of truth and duty. With his death the scandal that clouded the evening of his life and exhibited in the American people a singular susceptibility to prejudice and mania will pass from controversy into history. We have absolutely no doubt that history will do complete justice. The official records will be Admiral Sampson's vindication to posterity. But now he lies a martyr to madness by those whom he faithfully and ably served—the victim of a shame that will make historians blush.

It remains true that where the opposition to John P. Elkin names its man and opens the primaries Elkin wins. That is significant.

San-Domingo continues to furnish a mild example of what the conditions would be in the Philippines if the ambitious patriots who desire to run the government of the islands were left to themselves. The so-called Dominican republic is probably the worst governed country on earth, yet the turbulent natives of that island are as docile when compared to some of the bloodthirsty Malays of the Orient.

The presence in Washington of a large delegation of Boer sympathizers who came to ask the president to express the hope that the "unfortunate differences" in South Africa may soon be settled, looks like a waste of energy. There is probably not a well-meaning citizen in the land who would not be glad to see the end of the Boer war, but the power to end it is not located in Washington.

The man who prophesied the Spanish-American war and several other catastrophes failed to attract large crowds on Sunday at the services held in the basement on the corner of Adams avenue and Mulberry street. The latter day prophet, like a modern theatrical star, does not seem to cut much of a figure unless preceded by a hustling press agent.

Unless some sort of uniform is agreed upon soon, the game of ping-pong will probably pass out before it has had time to agitate the rural districts. A society game or fad that does not provide for a costume that will distinguish the player from the unskilled has no charms for the enthusiastic faddist.

It is noticeable that the Democratic senators at Washington who are engaged in firing on our Philippine soldiery are not the kind of men whose opinions on any subject command universal expectancy.

Senator Lodge's recovery from the Philippine butters was timely and thorough. The Republican party need not fear to face and fight those whose stock in trade is defamation of the American arms.

It would certainly be dramatic to see the Philadelphia Press advocating the election of Quay's cousin governor of Pennsylvania.

The president and Mark Hanna, it is said, have formed the pancake for breakfast habit. This certainly looks ominous.

As most cannot be induced to keep quiet, even on the eve of his departure for prison, the "water cure" might be

effective in his case. Outward application would probably suffice. The Cuban legislators are now in session. But until they have had opportunity to vote on a river and harbor appropriation bill they will not feel like real, experienced statesmen.

From careful and extensive preparations that are being made, it is evident that the administration intends that the "round up" of the beef trust shall be complete.

OUR BATTLE CRY.

Protection, Progress and Prosperity. Truly can we say with the Toy, N. Y., Times, "Well done, Indiana." The battle cry of the coming fall campaign has been sounded by her recent Republican state convention, "Protection, Progress and Prosperity." As we close our ranks, bury all minor differences, and begin preparing to meet the enemy, let us note some of the items of the inventory of our stock of ammunition.

"Why is it that Theodore Roosevelt is the young man's president? Because he stands for the commonplace virtues and because he is great along the lines which each one of us can be great in and dare."—Jacob A. Rice.

"Secretary Hay has done more than any other man living to solve the problem of the 'open door' in China."—Russian Ambassador Cassini.

Professor Hart points out in his "Foundations of American Policy" that our position towards the Philippines is just the same as we held towards Louisiana, Florida and Texas, when they were colonies, and alien colonies at that. "Anti-Imperialists" should ponder this. Suppose we had given up those three valuable states, for four we might not have been able to train them to be our national soldiers?

"The total imports of Cuba for the last fiscal year amounted to \$65,000,000; of which only \$28,078,702 came from the United States. All the citizens before the committee on ways and means stated that with prosperity in Cuba the importations of that island would amount to \$150,000,000 to \$200,000,000 annually. This is the trade that Cuba offers to the United States in return for concessions on her products. Is this charity? Is it not a good business bargain, viewed from the standpoint of the United States?"—Congressman of Kansas.

Here is just a sample of what American occupation does. Before the Spanish-American war, exports from the United States to Porto Rico averaged about \$1,000,000 in value. This year they will amount to about \$10,000,000. Exports from the island to this country have increased in nearly a like proportion.—Syracuse Post-Standard.

Porto Rico is prospering beyond all expectations since it became our property. Our purchases from this "rich gate" are almost three times as much as the average during the last five years of Spanish rule, while our shipments to Porto Rico are five times as much, the figures being six millions and seven millions respectively.

Opponents in congress of the Cuban reciprocity bill freely pointed out that in certain lines we are selling Cuba the bulk of her needs, but they omitted to further point out that Cuban sugar cannot be sold at a living profit in the United States under the existing tariff. Consequently, Cuba has not enough money to buy more than the quantity needed to meet her necessities. Cuba's necessity is our opportunity to do permanent good.

"Those who are seeking signs of Republican weakness must be very much deceived. The signs do not appear. The weakness does not materialize. The party was never more united as regards all the great and essential principles to which it has pledged support. The proof of this is furnished by the action of recent state conventions, that of Indiana being the most notable example. In Indiana, if anywhere, there could be expected some relaxation. In the rigidity of party declarations for the reason that it is ranked as a 'doubtful state' and expediency might suggest some temporizing of terms. But the Indiana Republicans have stood firm and true. So have the Oregon Republicans, and Oregon is a far Western state and has been more or less affected by Populism. There is no faltering now. The Oregon Republicans are as outspoken as possible. The party in the United States is as sound as the party in the East."—Troy Times.

The American steamship Hawaiian, Captain Nichols, from the Hawaiian Islands with 125,000 bags of sugar, sailed for Philadelphia last week, after an uneventful trip. She came by way of the Straits of Magellan. The Hawaiian has 10,000 packages of canned goods, which will be discharged at New York, to which port she will proceed for her outward cargo for the Pacific. In eighty-two days, the Hawaiian steamed 11,000 miles.—Nautical Gazette.

This was a first trip for the distance, but how enormous will gain when we get the isthmian canal, which the Republican party will build.

The arrival of the steamer Enterprise at Hilo, Hawaii, last week inaugurates the opening of the first line of regular steamers between Hilo and San Francisco.

In view of the foregoing few of the many successful results, is it not time for our Democratic opponents to cease trying to throw obstacles in the way of the party of protection, progress and prosperity?—Walter J. Ballard, Schenectady, N. Y., May 6.

AN INTERESTING LETTER.

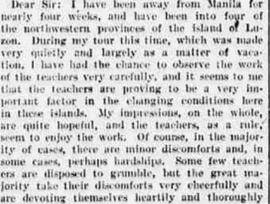
Manila, March 22, 1902. Mr. Walter J. Ballard, Schenectady, N. Y.: Dear Sir: I have been away from Manila for nearly four weeks, and have been into four of the northernmost provinces of the island of Luzon. During my tour this time, which was made very quickly and largely as a matter of vacation, I have had the chance to observe the work of the teachers very carefully, and it seems to me that the teachers are proving to be a very important factor in the changing conditions here in these islands. My impressions, on the whole, are quite hopeful, and the teachers, as a whole, seem to enjoy the work. Of course, in the majority of cases, there are minor discomforts and, in some cases, perhaps hardships. Some few teachers are disposed to grumble, but the great majority take their discomforts very cheerfully and are devoting themselves heartily and thoroughly to the work.

The outbreak of a few cases of cholera here has caused the quarantining of the city, and great disadvantages come out of this of the school department, especially the provincial normal institutes, which were to be held in nearly all the provinces of the island.

One normal institute for a northernmost province of the island was opened on Monday morning with a large attendance, only to be closed in the afternoon of the same day by the provincial board of health, on account of the epidemic of small-pox among the natives in that city.

Very truly yours, (Signed) Fred W. Atkinson, General Superintendent Public Instruction for the Philippine Islands.

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The special rewards will be given to the person securing the largest number of points. Points will be credited to contestants securing new subscribers to the Scranton Tribune as follows: One month's subscription.....\$ .50 1 Three months' subscription..... 1.25 3 Six months' subscription..... 2.50 6 One year's subscription..... 5.00 12

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A new feature is added this year. Special Honor Prizes will be given to those securing the largest number of points each month. THE CONTESTANT SCORING THE LARGEST NUMBER OF POINTS BEFORE 5 P. M. SATURDAY, MAY 31, WILL RECEIVE A HANDSOME GOLD WATCH, WARRANTED FOR 20 YEARS. Special Honor Prizes for June, July, August, September and October will be announced later.

Those wishing to enter the Contest should send in their names at once. All questions concerning the plan will be cheerfully answered. Address all communications to CONTEST EDITOR, Scranton Tribune, Scranton, Pa.

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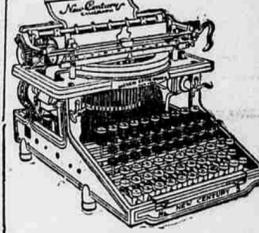
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